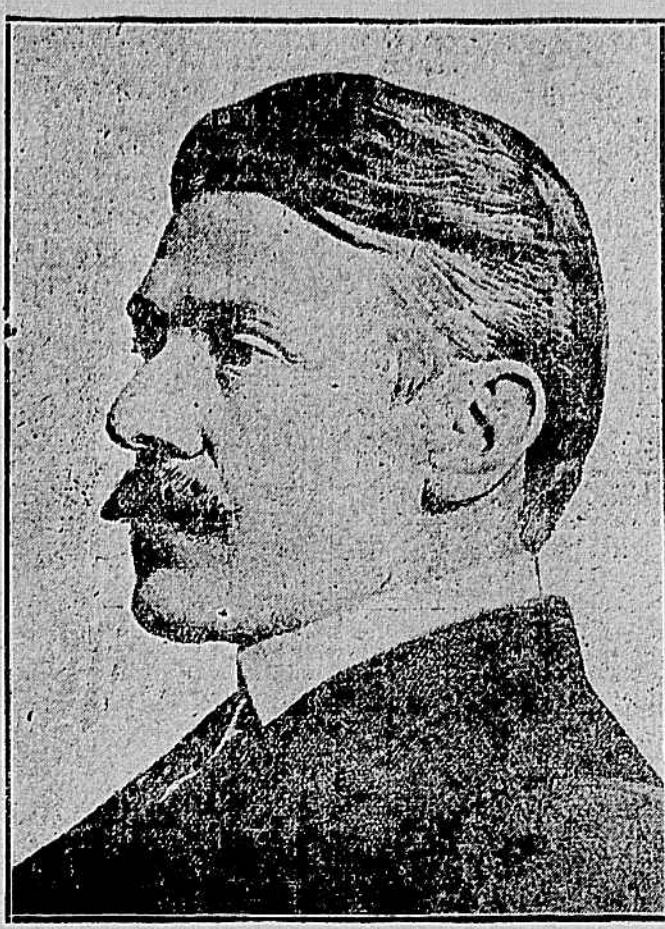


IN DEADLOCK FOR NATIONAL LEAGUE PRESIDENCY



JOHN A. HEYDLER.



JOHN M. WARD.

LEAGUE PRESIDENCY IS STILL IN DISPUTE

May Have to Elect Compromise Candidate. American Association Chooses Officers Without Trouble and Adjourns Until Next Year.

NEW YORK, December 15.—The National League of Professional Baseball Clubs is still talking to-day. The American League met to-day, transacted its business with dispatch and adjourned until next year, but the senior organization, deadlocked over the election of a President, adjourned until to-morrow morning. The club-owners got as far as the election of officers, but no farther, and the situation with regard to the National League presidency remains unchanged.

John M. Ward commands four votes; John A. Heydler, the incumbent, commands three votes, and one club-owner—Robinson, of St. Louis—refuses to say for whom he will vote, although it is predicted that he will vote for Heydler.

There seems to be no weakening in the ranks of the men for or against Heydler.

In some ways it looks like a compromise candidate.

Day Devoted to Routine Matters. With the presidential situation undecided, the National League magnates, of necessity, confined themselves to routine matters to-day. Horace Fogel, representing the new owners of the Philadelphia Club, was admitted to the meeting, but many of the club-owners were not satisfied with his statement that Charles W. Murphy, of Chicago, and Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati, are not the new purchasers. They are seeking more information along this line. The new club was admitted to membership, however, and Fogel named the officers as being himself as president; Frank B. Elliott, vice-president; Morris Sheek, secretary-treasurer.

The club-owners passed upon the question of wearing spikes to President Johnson and Charles Comiskey, with power to act for the American League. Charles Somers, of Cleveland, was unanimously re-elected vice-president of the league.

The next meeting will be held in Chicago in February.

The Boston National League Club unconditionally released Catcher Al Shaw, and the St. Louis Americans will release Second Baseman Williams to Minneapolis. If they can get waivers on him, The Cincinnati Club sold Catcher Frank Roth to Minneapolis, and Third Baseman Dolan and Pitcher Lower to Denver.

Ed Ashenback, of Altoona, has signed to manage the Syracuse Club, and George Heckert, Harrisburg's manager last season, will guide the Trenton Tri-State League club.

The Baseball Writers' Association of America, at its first annual meeting this afternoon, re-elected all officers.

FOUR FAVORITES CAPTURE MONEY

Sally Preston, 9 to 1 Shot, Causes Upset in Second Event at Moncrief.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., December 15.—Four favorites took the money at Moncrief this afternoon—Harvey F. Lady Irma, Indian Maid and Campalmer being the favorites to come home first. There was quite an upset in the second, when Sally Preston, a 9 to 1 shot, ran a splendid race, and won a goodly sum for many of the local betters.

First race, six furlongs, two-year-olds—Harvey F. 115 (Butwell) even; first; Glen Beachy 112 (Mussgrave), 8 to 1; second; Star Over 110 (Ganz), 12 to 1; third; Time, 1:18.

Second race, five furlongs, three-year-olds and up—Sally Preston 109 (Trotter), 9 to 1; first; Dolly Bullman 105 (Obert), 4 to 1; second; Pocumoke 112 (Goldstein), 10 to 1; third; Time, 1:09 1/2.

Third race, six furlongs, selling, three-year-olds—Lady Irma 108 (Powell), 2 to 1; first; John A. Munro 112 (McCarthy), 15 to 1; second; Font 104 (Howard), 5 to 1; third; Time, 1:16 1/2.

Fourth race, Ormond Beach Selling, two-year-olds and up—De Kalb 105 (Hyland), 6 to 1; first; Shadwell 105 (Shipp), 15 to 1; second; Ann 104 (Howard), 4 to 1; third; Time, 1:23 1/2.

Fifth race, seven furlongs, selling, three-year-olds and up—De Kalb 105 (Hyland), 6 to 1; first; Shadwell 105 (Shipp), 15 to 1; second; Ann 104 (Howard), 4 to 1; third; Time, 1:23 1/2.

Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth, three-year-olds and up—Campalmer 111 (G. Burns), 5 to 1; first; Agreement 111 (Powers), 11 to 1; second; Billy Pullman 111 (Butwell), 9 to 1; third; Time, 1:51 1/2.

The Day at Tampa. TAMPA, FLA., December 15.—Four favorites were returned winners to-day, the feature of the card being the fourth race, which was captured by E. Shipp, 10 to 1, on the stretch with Grenade. Lovell rode three of the winners. Jockey J. Denison will be refused mounts at the Van Diver race, but will ride on the decision on this after his weak ride on John Garner on Tuesday. Summaries:

First race, five and a half furlongs, selling—Dundon 114 (McCone), 3 to 1; first; Comic Opera 108 (Mountain), 4 to 1; second; W. I. Hinch 101 (Davenport), 2 to 1; third; Time, 1:18 1/2.

Second race, five and a half furlongs, selling—Orlando 111 (Mountain), 2 to 1; first; Birdseyer 111 (Trueman), 8 to 1; second; Canoplan 103 (Cole), 15 to 1; third; Time, 1:13 1/2.

Third race, five furlongs, selling—Inspection 104 (Estep), 7 to 1; first; Colonel Ashmole 107 (Brunon), 2 to 1; second; Bonnie Bee 104 (Davenport), 11 to 1; third; Time, 1:06.

Fourth race, six furlongs, purse—E. T. Shipp 110 (Lovell), 3 to 1; first; Grenade 113 (Glaser), 5 to 1; second; Lens 108 (Davenport), 3 to 1; third; Time, 1:18 1/2.

Fifth race, mile and a sixteenth, selling—Maximum 100 (Lovell), 8 to 1; first; King's Guinea 104 (Davenport), 8 to 1; second; Delastrome 104 (Glaser), 20 to 1; third; Time, 1:55 1/2.

Sixth race, five furlongs, selling—Lou Lanier 101 (Lovell), 7 to 1; first; Acolline 107 (Reilly), 10 to 1; second; Hannade 102 (Davenport), 5 to 1; third; Time, 1:07 1/2.

Amusements. BIJOU—This Week THE RAYS IN KING CASEY. 50 PEOPLE - 40 IN CHORUS. Next Week, Ray Raymond, in Dars, Devil Dan.

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Cook Is Alleged Felon. Henry Biggs, colored, was arrested yesterday morning on a charge of housebreaking. The warrant was sworn out by Louise Ross, of 819 North First Street, who charges that Biggs forced an entrance to her home and stole a watch and chain and other valuables. Biggs was working as a cook in one of the leading restaurants when he was arrested.

RECORD OFFER FOR A HORSE. \$250,000 Refused for Bayardo, English Champion Three-Year-Old.

The enormous figure of \$250,000 has been refused for Bayardo, the champion English three-year-old, and as far as turf history goes this is the record offer for a race horse. It has been stated that the animal was wanted for stud purposes, but as Mr. Fairlie, his owner, is a wealthy man, he cares more for Bayardo than for the money, big as the offer was. In another way, the price is a good thing, as it makes the horse the most valuable horse ever foaled. He is a bay colt by the dead Bay Ronald, out of Galilea, and is by no means a handsome animal to look at, but it is said to have superb action. His career on the turf does not end with this season by any means, for he has a good string of engagements for the year. Foremost among them is the gold cup at Ascot. Some time ago it was intimated that Bayardo's owner would keep him for his own stud. Some years ago, Mr. Edmund Blane paid \$157,500 for Flying Fox, the Derby winner, and this is yet the record sale, though it is away behind the sum turned down for Bayardo.

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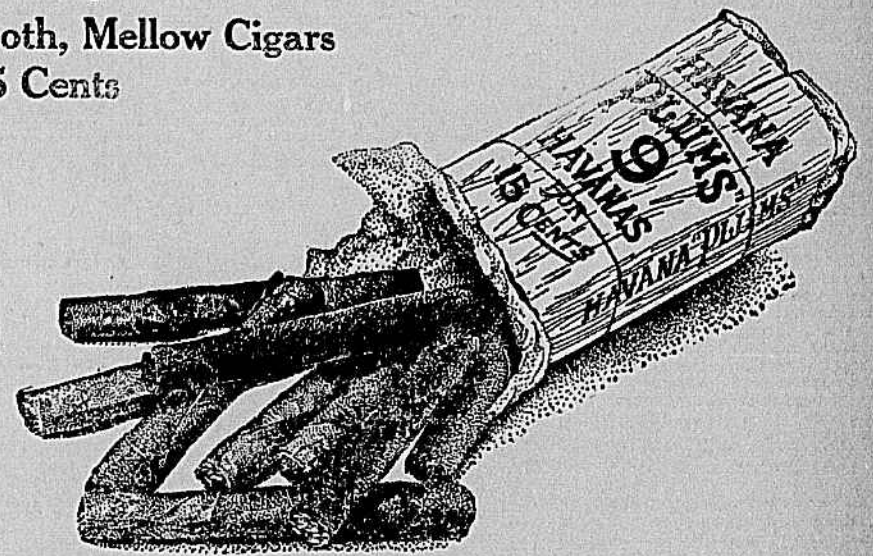
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NATIONALS LAND "KID" ELBERFELD

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 15.—A telegram was received this afternoon from Manager McAleer, in New York, stating that he had purchased the release of Norman Elberfeld, better known as "Kid," for the Washington club. No players figure in the deal, which is a straight purchase. This will be good news to the Washington patrons of the game. "Kid" Elberfeld is known as one of the "gingeriest" players in the game to-day, a veteran in experience, and with undoubtedly a good many seasons of first-class work left. He is a man of correct habits, takes excellent care of himself, and is rated as one of the best fielders on the left-hand side of the diamond there is in the business.

Wants to Play Here. A factor of the utmost importance in the deal is the fact that Elberfeld has for several years been anxious to play in Washington. Last season he tried to secure his release from New York in order to make arrangements on his own account with the Washington management, but no deal could be made for the shift, and he was forced to finish the season with the Highlanders. He has purchased a home in this city and resides here with his family.

Elberfeld long ago earned the sobriquet of "Tabasco Kid" by his aggressive, hard-working methods on the ball field. He is in deadly earnest at every stage of every game, working desperately to win. He infuses his spirit into his fellow-players, and often has carried his team through an apparently losing contest to a victory by sheer force of his pluck and confidence.

Will Cover Third. As an infielder Elberfeld is virtually in the class of George McBride, but it is not contemplated by the local management to replace that star short-

stop with the older man. But it is believed that Elberfeld can play third base in a manner to fill that hole in the local infield. He is an adaptable player, thoroughly alive to the possibilities of every position, and although shortstop has been his traditional station in the infield for years, no apprehension is felt by Manager McAleer as to the "Kid's" ability to make good at that corner of the diamond.

Last season Elberfeld played in 106 games and batted .237, which is not up to his mark when he is going well. He is a timely hitter, helping his team not so much by long drives as by profitable taps that bring runs over the rubber. In the old days it was usually Elberfeld who scored "Wes Willie" Keeler after that master hand at bunting had gone to first on a safe hit, had been sacrificed to second and awaited the bat of the "Kid" to score him.

High Fielding Averages. Elberfeld played in sixty-one games at shortfield last season, making a fielding average of .943, as against McBride's .947. He played forty-four games at third base, with an average of .936, only one point behind Bradley, who led the league. Conroy's average at third base was .937.

In connection with Elberfeld's purchase, it is important to note that a year ago an effort was made to secure him for Washington, and overtures to this effect were made to New York's owners at the Chicago meeting of the American League. No propositions to this effect would be considered by New York, however, and when the case was put to an issue the best Washington could obtain was the promise that he would not be let out to any other club, while it was given the opportunity to purchase Conroy.

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